

<>< *Lacey United Methodist Church Prayer Page* ><>

<>< YOUR WILL, LORD GOD, BE DONE ~ NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS, NOTHING ELSE ><>

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Steven & Nadine Woodward; Jay Youngs; Victoria Krauss; Carole Exel; Steven Exel; Tiny; Marsha Brandt; Daryl Mafia; Jason Gilman; Paul Rue; Pat Stack; Ed Weisbrot; Carole Jansen; Bob Pentland; Bob Wynn & Denise Vaccaro; Ellen Larney; Christine Urban; Dale Stucky; Suzy; Steve Woodward; Bob & Pam Marsh; Sadie; Kyle Wilhelm; Nancy & Rev. George Reid; Sally Potter; Danny Huyler; Mel Rosenbloom; Donna Craft; Diane F.; Michael Claus; John E. Rue; Christine Morgan; Joseph Ensinger; Michelle Reyes; Jeff Merceron; Mrs. Nunez; Lois Pozsar; Patrick Jemas; Helen Wooley; Gary; Levi Kern; Greg R.; Rich Rosfjord; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Sara Carpini; Andrea Almeida; Linda & John Ansbach; Bill Wehner; Rich C.; Chris Mignone; Randy M.; Lois; Sue & Rich Newman; Dawn Slate; Gail Matuska; Monika & Fred Sisbarro; Marilyn Slate; Shirley; Aubrey; Betty Carhart; Rosalie Mulvaney; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Cynthia Pedemonti; Andrea Schenker; Helen DeLa Cruz; Peg Bea; Shannon Callaghan; Will Cotton; Patricia Potter; Susan Schlotter; Joan McGavin; Phyllis Smith; Bill & Becky Buglione; Lorraine; Katrina & Peter Borchester; Pat Grant; our whole Church Family.

For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss ~ Family of Kathleen McDonough; Family of Michael Santos.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ For the Birth of Sofia Marie – parents Christina & Nicholas Iapicco; Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

For Those Serving in the Military ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Kevin Carhart; Luke Derflinger; Ellen Hammer; Gavin Hammer D'Adamo; Raymond Kitson; T. Ryan McDonald; Ryan Palmieri; Daniel Schenker; Jason Schenker; for all Soldiers; Sailors; Marines; Airmen; and Guards-Men/Women of our Armed Forces.

For the Ministries of our Church ~ Bible Studies; Christian Education; Community Outreach; DOC Connection Ministries; Extension Ministries; Finance Team; Healing Ministries; Hope Chest Food Pantry; Hospitality & Welcoming Team; Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe; Music Programs; How It Works and Why; AA Group; Senior Ministries; SHALOM for the Homeless; Stewardship Team; Summer Lunch for Lacey's Kids; The Tuesday & Thursday Hot Lunch Mission; Youth Ministries.

For Greater NJ Annual Conference ~ Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Rev. Ronell Howard; Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama; Wisconsin, Wyoming; Lacey Township Committee, Leaders & First Responders; Senators; Congressmen and leaders of our United States of America; Uniting of all American political parties; President Joe Biden & Vice President Kamala Harris; Gov. Murphy; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.

 *Lacey United Methodist Church*
October 6, 2024



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Head Ushers: Sherry Exel & Rick Waddell
Thank You to All Who Share Their Prayers, Presence,
Gifts, Service, Witness & Time!
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Welcome in the Name of Jesus Christ to All Visitors, Members, Family and Friends!

** Please feel free to rise in body or spirit*

Prelude

Welcome

**Hymn* *He Leadeth Me (Vs. 1, 4)* *UMH 128*

**Call to Worship*

Our lives feel all disjointed as though they were a valley of dry bones. **But the Spirit of God will bring connection and continuity to our lives.** The Spirit of God breathes hope into each one of us.

The Spirit of God challenges us to be people of faith.

Open our hearts, Lord, and bring us to your light.

Open our lives, Lord, and break us free from doubt and fear.

Amen.

Young Disciples' Time

Prayer of Illumination

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept you Word. Silence in us any voices but your own, so that we may hear your Word and also do it; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hebrew Scripture Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Message: Scary Stories: "The Army of the Dead"

**Hymn* *Holy Ground* *FWS 2272*

Affirmation of Faith *UMH 882*

Pastoral Prayer and Announcements

Offering

Anthem: Come Alive (Dry Bones)

**Doxology* *UMH 95*

**Prayer of Dedication*

From your hands, O God, come the blessings that make life possible, even the very gift of life itself. In gratitude and thanks, receive from our hands this portion of our labors. By your Spirit's leading, may we use these gifts to bless the life of others with the assurance of love, the promise of hope, and the course of justice. This we do to your glory. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Taste and See

FWS 2267

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, O God, when we see the world through rose-colored glasses rather than as it really is, much less the way you seek it to be. Forgive us, Holy One, when we forsake lively and risky faith calling us to be agents of change in our world for the bland conviction that all will be well. Renew us with your grace and ground us with your Spirit, that we might be empowered to live, in word and deed, as testimonies to the power of your love over the grave. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

A Time of Silent Confession and Reflection

The Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Reception

Prayer of Gratitude

**Hymn* *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (Vs. 1,2)*
UMH 400

Benediction

Postlude *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (Vs. 3)*
UMH 400

The vision and mission of Lacey United Methodist Church is to welcome, nurture and serve all. Sharing God's grace with open arms.
Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the Glory of God.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Statistics Sept. 29, 2024: Attendance ~ 53 in-person; 29 via YouTube
Offerings: \$935.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,211.17
Plate: \$15.00 Building Improvements: \$50.00
Bounty of the Bay: \$1,190.00 Capital Campaign: \$22.00
Discretionary: \$50.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$1,435.50

Thank you for your continued support of LUMC! If you are able, please explore giving on-line by using Vanco for electronic giving (details below) or mail your tithes and offerings to LUMC PO Box 151 Forked River, NJ 08731. Thank you and God bless you!!

Reminder: The basket on the side table as you walk up the center aisle is for giving to the pastor's discretionary fund which enables us to directly help members of our community who are in need.

Electronic Giving is Here! Follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit our website at laceyumc.org
 - 2) Click **Electronic Giving**, then follow the instructions
- Or scan the image you see here to locate the giving page:
Contact the LUMC office for more information 609.693.5222



Please help us complete the Sanctuary Altar Flooring

All you have to do is buy ShopRite cards through LUMC! ShopRite makes a \$50 donation to LUMC for every \$1,000 we sell in ShopRite gift cards! Cards are available through the LUMC Office or on Sundays after Worship.

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Normal Hours of Operation:

Tuesday ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM Wed. ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM
Thursday ~ 8:00AM – 4:00PM Friday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM
Saturday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM

☛ The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is a vital mission of Lacey UMC. **Volunteers are needed to help extend the hours of operation. Contact Maddie Stapleton or Laura McDonald to learn more!!!**

County Support Services at LUMC

Tues., Oct. 22nd 10AM-1PM: Board of Social Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.

Hope Chest Food Pantry Needs...snacks, fruit cups, oatmeal and juice! Drop off at the LUMC office or after worship.

**“Surviving the Election” Conversation
with Pastor Don & Pastor Jonathan Tues., Oct. 15 at 6:30PM**

♪♪ **Praise Team Practice – Wednesdays at 6PM** ♪♪

Men's Breakfast: Meeting Sat. 10/12 at 6:30AM

Church Conference – Saturday, October 19 at 10:00 AM
The Conference will be held in our Sanctuary.

“Shoe” Us the Love!!! We are collecting **new or gently used pairs of shoes** for a fundraiser to benefit LUMC!

All sizes/styles accepted. Contact the Sheryl Lutgen for info.

We'll be hosting a **PIZZA PARTY** on Friday, Oct. 25 from 6PM to 8PM to bag up the shoes! Your help is appreciated!

October 22nd will be Boscov's “Friends Helping Friends” fundraiser. Purchase a 25% off one-day shopping pass for only \$5!!! Contact the LUMC Office or see Joann after worship.

Upcoming Meetings

Finance: Oct. 7th at 5:30 PM **Trustees:** October 7th at 7PM
Fundraising: Oct. 7th at 6:00 PM **Sisters-In-Faith:** October 2024
Church Council: November 18th

Monthly Pastor's Dinner: Oct. 18 at 6:00 PM at Kristy's in Waretown. Please rsvp to Joann. Everyone is welcome!

Lacey Day – Sunday, October 13th

12pm-4pm at Gille Park

Please let Pastor Jonathan know if you can help at our booth!

Women's Night – October 16th at 7PM at the home of Diane Collins. Please bring an appetizer, snack, or dessert to share. Questions? Contact Diane at 609-618-7346.

Halloween Party – Oct. 27th 2PM to 5PM in Fellowship Hall
Join us for games, snacks, and Halloween fun! Ages 3 to 12 yrs.
Volunteers welcome – please contact Dominic to sign up!

HARVEST FEST ~ November 23rd 9AM – 2PM
BAKED GOODS | HOMEMADE SOUPS & CHILI |
PICS WITH SANTA (10AM-1PM) | CRAFTS | VENDORS
Contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 for more information.

